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**GROUP 3600 AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO FINAL  
OFFICE ACTION MAILED APRIL 1, 2003**

Dear Examiner:

In the Office Action, claims 59-64 and 66-78 were rejected under 35 U.S.C § 103 as being obvious in light of various references. Applicants respectfully assert that the claims pending in the present application are, in fact, patentable and in condition for allowance. In light of the following remarks, reconsideration and allowance are respectfully requested.

## 1. Summary of Rejections

In the Office Action, the Examiner rejected independent claim 59 and its respective dependent claims 60-64 and 66-68 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Wood et al. (U.S. Pat. No. 5,891,035) in view of Reeder (U.S. Pat. No.

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